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In re application of:

Kikuchi et al.

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PRODUCTION OF PROTEINS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**Mail Stop AF**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2005, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply, one month to October 3, 2005.

☐ The period for response has previously been extended to

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